

**Camden County Library District
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 19, 2025
Amended 6-16-25**

Roll Call

Board members present: Dr. Mari Pat Brooks, Adam Guttman, Jaylon Menard, Nancy Pope, and Rebecca Sofolo. Staff present: Jim Pasley, Director; Coli Creach, Assistant Director; and Vicki Granneman, Assistant Director, acted as recorder.

Brooks called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Acceptance of Agenda

Sofolo moved to accept the agenda. Motion was seconded by Menard and approved by the board.

Director's Comments

The Summer Reading Challenge Kickoff was held on Saturday, May 17th. The kick-off was a success and well attended. The Golden Bluegrass band continues to draw a big crowd. The carpet at the library entrance and circulation area will be replaced in June. The slab for the generator will be poured in the coming week. We have hired a contractor to paint the Sunrise Beach building.

Our general insurance, workers' compensation, and auto insurance have been renewed. Kaitlyn Schmidt from the Missouri State Library wrote an article in their monthly newsletter, Show Me Express, featuring the library district and its notary and passport services.

The May Chapter and Chatter will be featuring the Chinese economic system. Interest in the community garden continues as all 35 plots are being planted.

Legislative Updates

IMLS employees have returned from furlough. The Institute of Museum and Library Services is funded through September 2025.

The budget submitted by the SOS was funded.

Minutes

Pope moved to approve the minutes of the March meeting. Motion was seconded by Guttman and approved by the board.

Treasurer's Report

Guttman moved to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion was seconded by Menard and approved by the board.

Bills Payable

Sofolo moved to approve the monthly bills as presented. Motion was seconded by Menard and approved by the board.

Branch Reports

Next month, the Branch Manager's monthly report will look a little different; the new format will report numbers required by the state. April was spent working on the Summer Reading Challenge kick-off party. The Branch Manager's meetings will be on hold until the Summer Reading Challenge is completed. Creach will be submitting a monthly PSA. Macks Creek Library is working hard to make the library relevant in the community.

Unfinished Business

Pope checked with the federal government to get American flags for our libraries and learned they were charging for flags. Brooks will contact Missouri State Representative Jeff Verneti to About getting flags.

Laura Scott, a library patron from Macks Creek, presented a new Citizen's Request For Reconsideration of Library Materials form. Challenged books are on the agenda for the June meeting.

The next step in our strategic planning would be to look outward to the community. Board members would reach out to local civic organizations and community leaders and attend the local chamber of commerce meetings. A patron survey to find out what the people we aren't serving would like to see our library offer would be valuable to our strategic planning.

Pope moved to have Rick Bryant, of Bryant Auction, auction the tractor for \$15,000 and the trailer for \$2,000. Motion seconded by Guttman.

New Business

The board suggested that David Peirce, Maintenance Supervisor, look for a used vehicle. Menard will contact John Beckett, of Beckett Motors, to see what he has available.

Public Comments

Scott presented a new Citizen's Request For Reconsideration of Library Materials form. Challenged books are on the agenda for the June meeting.

Scott is working with the community to get funding to put a new vinyl banner on the side of the Macks Creek Library.

Menard moved to adjourn. Motion seconded by Pope and approved by the board.